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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: METHOD FOR CLONING ANIMALS WITH  
TARGETED GENETIC ALTERATIONS BY  
TRANSFER OF LONG-TERM CULTURED  
MALE OR FEMALE SOMATIC CELL  
NUCLEI, COMPRISING ARTIFICIALLY-  
INDUCED GENETIC ALTERATIONS, TO  
ENUCLEATED RECIPIENT CELLS

**AMENDMENT; RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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**Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.**

**Remarks begin on page 4 of this document.**

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